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Transmitted herewith is the patent application of () application identifier or (X) named inventors: Roberta LEE, Redwood City, CA; Huddee Jacob Ho, San Jose, CA; entitled **DEVICES AND METHODS FOR TISSUE SEVERING AND REMOVAL**, for a(n):

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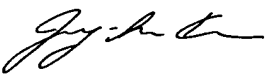
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